

Madison County Board

Virginia City, Montana

Meeting Agenda

July 9, 2007

Attendees: B. Bradley, J. Fenton, B. White, J. Frey, L. Carlson,
J. Hauck

Absentees: J. Singer

Commissioners: D. Schulz, J. Hart

Secretary: B. Durham

Visitors: Ron Coleman, Susan Edsall, Tom Miller, Bob Gates, Ira & Nadene Davis

1. Report Twin Bridges Airport:

- a. Airport Conditions: Blue beacon went out and has been replaced. Mowing and weed eating are ongoing. Wind sock pole needs to be repaired. Construction on two new hangers owned by Beau Bradley will start next week.
- b. Airport Improvement Projects Update: See attached report from Peccia and Associates.

2. Report Ennis Big Sky Airport:

- a. Airport Conditions: Everything is in good shape. Mowing and weed eating is ongoing. Hanger owners including Ira Davis and Mike McCann helped with the mowing and weed eating that has been done. One PAPI light is out. Bob was asked questions regarding runway lights. He stated that the runway lights turn on with three radio clicks and stay on ten minutes. Safety issues and FAA requirements were discussed. Ed Hammerle will construct a platform and rails so that the beacon light can be replaced safely. The wind sock was replaced by John Hauck and Bill White. The wind sock pole needs to be repaired. Mike used a bungee cord to set the beacon lights. Bob repaired the flex line on the fuel hose reel. Bob reported that City Service the fuel distributor inspected the fuel farm. The person inspecting indicated they would like to see upgrades done at the fuel farm.
- b. Airport Improvements Projects Update: See attached report from Peccia and Associates.

3. Tom Miller:

- a. Fence removal – new hanger – Lot 27A Shining Mtns, Airpark: Motion made by John Hauck seconded by Jim Frey to allow the fence relocation.
- b. Land lease: 40 X 150 north of and in-line with the County Maintenance Building for secure garages: After discussion the Board determined that the area in question can not be leased for garages as it has been designated for a large commercial hanger. Tom will call Rick Donaldson regarding building the garages west of Tom's hanger.

4. Airport Rules and Regulations: A motion was made by Bill White and seconded by Layne Carlson to establish a committee to work on the rules and regulations for both Madison County airports. The committee is John Hauck, Bill White, and Ira Davis. The committee will bring a draft rules and regulations document to the September meeting.

5. New Business: Susan Edsall approached the Board regarding building a hanger at the Ennis Big Sky Airport. The Board approved a 50 X 50 hanger to be built next to Ed Hammerle's hanger.

Nadene spoke with the 99's, they are willing to paint at the airports but they would need local volunteers to help. The Board felt like it would not be a problem to round up volunteers for the project.

6. Public Comment:

Issues addressed:

- Fabrication and installation of second platform and guardrail on the beacon in Ennis. Approved
- Approve the expenditure of funds to hire a contractor or utilize County personnel and equipment to clean the culvert on Shell Creek. Approved
- Write a letter to the individual who purchased the snowplow and tractor giving him 14 days to move the items before they are impounded.
- Approve the expenditure of funds to either hire a private contractor or use County resources to develop the road to the back row of hangars at Ennis. Approved
- Schedule a biannual mowing of both airports: Determine when this needs to be done. County equipment will be used. June/Sept or October. Obtain quote from private contractor. Weeds need to be sprayed twice a year. Once after everything turns green and again one month later. Dave will obtain sprayers for each airport
- Consider suggesting to Peccia the upcoming need for ramp expansions at both airports.
- Authorize/mandate the immediate purchase of the necessary PVC pipe, fittings, and poison bait to have 15 bait stations in place by July 19th.
- Authorize the duplication of all airport keys to be given to one Board member in each valley.
- Approve the purchase of a mower for the lawns around the pilot lounge at each airport. Approved
- Reach decision on unrestricted ramp access for vehicles.
- Approve the expenditure to have hinge plates fabricated for both airport windsocks. Approved
- Develop a "policy" regarding the liability of a County employee moving planes.